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seemly manner, frantically trying to crowd an existence into a few days, many of its members are skeptical as to any reason or necessity for so doing. A Western gentleman who entered so doing. A Western gentleman who entered the Forty-ninth Congress from a Territorial Legislature, where he had been President of the Council, declared that they did things much better out there. He said they began work the first day and disposed of all business brought up before they adjourned, and that they did that each day of the session, never adjourning at night until each bill had been considered and the calendar cleared. By this system, especially as they had sessions both morning and afternoon, they managed to do a good deal of businoon, they managed to do a good deal of business, do it promptly, and to spend the last three days simply considering at leisure such bills as

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made a gash in the corpse's forearm. To the as-tonishment of all, the blood spurted out in a wholesome flow, and the dead man, with an ex-pression of relief and gratifude, sat up in his bay-coffin. He had been in a transee, but thoroughly and intelligentity awake during the poet-mertem examination in the hospital and throughout all the subsequent processings, but a powerless. startling emphasis:

"I have just unde a terrible discovery."

There was something in his manner that commanded direct attention, and the compression of his lips after his utterance evidenced that his discovery bothered him.

"What is it that appais you? Have you been stricken with that vulgar epidemic, a "grievance?"

THEATRE PARTIES.

stricken with that vulgar opidemic, a "grievance?"

"A grievance? Go search the Unabridged from title page to the terminal vocabulary of Scriptural proper names, and you'll fall to find a term or word expressive enough to fit my case.

"For some time past I have been feeling a peculiar senation of depression, a sort of spiritual opaquemess, as it were, and set couldn't learn the cause. It wasn't from malaria, for I am a very light drinker, and it couldn't be from love, as I've been married three years. Yet there it was, and there was no getting shut of it. Suddenly, swiftly, and astoundingly, just like one of those what-do-you-call-cus that poets talk about, the cause of my condition flashed upon me this very morning. I am not an American citizen?"

"Not an American citizen?" I repeated querying all, rich and poor alike, topay for what they seem the suppliers so well in most of its features to the theatre parties of Washington that it might almost as well have been written here. The London Saturday Review has an entertain in gressay on theatre parties, which is curious as showing that society in Landon is very much like security and there have been from two present the English parties and ours is that they appeared to always arrange that each perrou shall pay his share. Americans are generally able to improve anything they copy, and there is apparent to always arrange that each perrou shall pay his share. Americans are generally able to improve anything they copy, and there is apparent to always arrange that each perrou shall pay his share. Americans are generally able to improve anything they copy, and there is apparent to always arrange that each porrou shall pay his share. Americans are generally able to improve anything they copy, and there is apparent to always arrange that each perrou shall pay his share. Americans are generally able to improve anything they copy, and there is apparent to always arrange that each perrou shall pay his share. Americans are generally able to improve anything they copy, and t THEATRE PARTIES.

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